

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Wednesday, March 15, 2006

10:30 a.m.

307 House Office Building

Representative Brian Palmer, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Gosselin, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Representative Wenke moved to excuse absent members.

Representative Gosselin supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Vander Veen.

Representative Robertson moved to approve the minutes of the February 28, and March 1, 2006 meetings.

Representative Hildenbrand supported the motion.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair withdrew HB 5342 from the agenda and laid SB 866 before the committee.

SB 866 Gilbert Education; financing; procedure to consolidate services and save tax dollars; clarify.

David Worthams, representing Senator Gilbert's office, testified in support of SB 866.

Jean Sturtridge and George Ann Ragle, representing the Saint Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency, testified in support of SB 866.

Representative Gosselin moved to report out SB 866 with recommendation.

Representative Vagnozzi supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 18-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Gosselin, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 866 reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid SB 327, SB 328, SB 329 and SB 330 before the committee.

SB 327	Cassis	Education; teachers; requirements to teach reading; revise.
SB 328	Hardiman	School aid; categoricals; certain funds to be allocated to early intervention programs; allow.
SB 329	Cassis	School aid; categoricals; grant program for early intervention programs; establish and allow certain funds for small class size to be used for early intervention programs.
SB 330	Kuipers	School aid; categoricals; percentage of at-risk funds; require to be used for early intervention program in districts with a learning-disabled population above state average.

Representative Meyer moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to SB 327.

Representative Robertson supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Mortimer moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to SB 328.

Representative Hildenbrand supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Pearce moved to adopt substitute (H-4) to SB 329.

Representative Hildenbrand supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Mortimer moved to adopt substitute (H-3) to SB 330.

Representative Ball supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Bob Sornson, representing the Early Learning Foundation, testified in support of the bill package.*

Senator Cassis testified in support of the bill package.

Kate Segal and Whitney Conner, representing the Michigan Junior League, testified in support of the bill package.*

Delia Laing, representing the Leona Group, testified in support of SB 329.

Edward Manuszak, representing Tecumseh Public Schools, testified in support of the bill package.

Lynn O'Meara, representing herself, testified in support of SB 329.*

Kathy Pelleran, representing Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, testified and stated a neutral position on the bill package.*

Bob Morris, representing the Michigan Department of Education, submitted a card in support of SB 327, and opposed SB 328, SB 329, SB 330, but did not wish to speak.

The following people representing the Michigan Junior League, submitted a card in support of the bill package, but did not wish to speak:

Karen Johnson

Anjanette Stoltz

Kelly Williams

Frances Todor-Hargreaves

Jennifer Pinto

Heidi Nelson

Jacquelyn Light
Nicole Ferguson
Janeen Sheridan
Emilie Lanstra
Sara Rentz
Jennifer Pace
Rebecca Paalman
Lisa Gnass
Mary Dewitt Boyer
Kathy Carlin

Karen Knack
Kelly Dechant
Kathy Perrett
Joyce Garrett
Christina Bergshom
Lara Khorry
Cathy Thompson Jeakle
Teena Dale
Kristina Acheson
Nancy Orr

Ann Baxter
Rebecca Reyes
Rebecca Donnini
Linda Arens
Hillary Schmitt
Kimberly Buffenn
Katie Strong
Rebecca Myers.

Representative Meyer moved to report out SB 327 as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

Representative Virgil Smith supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 17-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 327 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

Representative Mortimer moved to report out SB 328 as substitute (H-3) with recommendation.

Representative Robertson supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 17-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 328 (H-3) reported out with recommendation.

Representative Wenke moved to report out SB 329 as substitute (H-4) with recommendation.

Representative Virgil Smith supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 16-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: Representative Hopgood.

SB 329 (H-4) reported out with recommendation.

Representative Wenke moved to report out SB 330 as substitute (H-3) with recommendation.

Representative Proos supported the motion.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 17-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Palmer, Mortimer, Meyer, Hoogendyk, Wenke, Ball, Hildenbrand, Pearce, Proos, Robertson, Hopgood, Miller, Angerer, Virgil Smith, Clack, Vagnozzi and Polidori.

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 330 (H-3) reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Brian Palmer, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
March 15, 2006
1 hour 30 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates printed materials attached to original minutes.